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# Linear regression using Normal Equation

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# The Normal Equation

To find the value of  $\theta$  that minimizes the cost function, there is a *closed-form solution*—in other words, a mathematical equation that gives the result directly. This is called the *Normal Equation*.

$$\hat{\theta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

In above equation:

- $\hat{\theta}$  is the value of  $\theta$  that minimizes the cost function.
- $y$  is the vector of target values containing  $y(1)$  to  $y(m)$ .

# Read Data from CSV

- Let's read some linear-looking data to test this equation from CSV File.

```
import numpy as np
```

```
import pandas as pd
```

```
from google.colab import  
files
```

```
uploaded = files.upload()
```

```
import io
```

```
abalone = pd.read_csv(  
io.BytesIO(uploaded['abalone_train.csv']),
```

```
    names=["Length",  
           "Diameter", "Height",  
           "Whole weight", "Shucked  
weight", "Viscera weight",  
           "Shell weight", "Age"])
```

## Assign the data to a variable

```
X1 = abalone["Length"]
```

```
X2 = np.array(X1)
```

```
//output:(is a 1 dimensional column array)
```

```
X = X2.reshape(-1, 1)
```

```
y1 = abalone["Height"]
```

```
y2 = np.array(y1)
```

```
//output:(is a 1 dimensional column array)
```

```
y = y2.reshape(-1, 1)
```

```
X,y
```

```
(array([[0.435],[0.585],[0.655],
```

```
...,
```

```
[0.53 ],[0.395],
```

```
[0.45 ]]), array([[0.11 ],
```

```
[0.125],[0.16 ],
```

```
...,
```

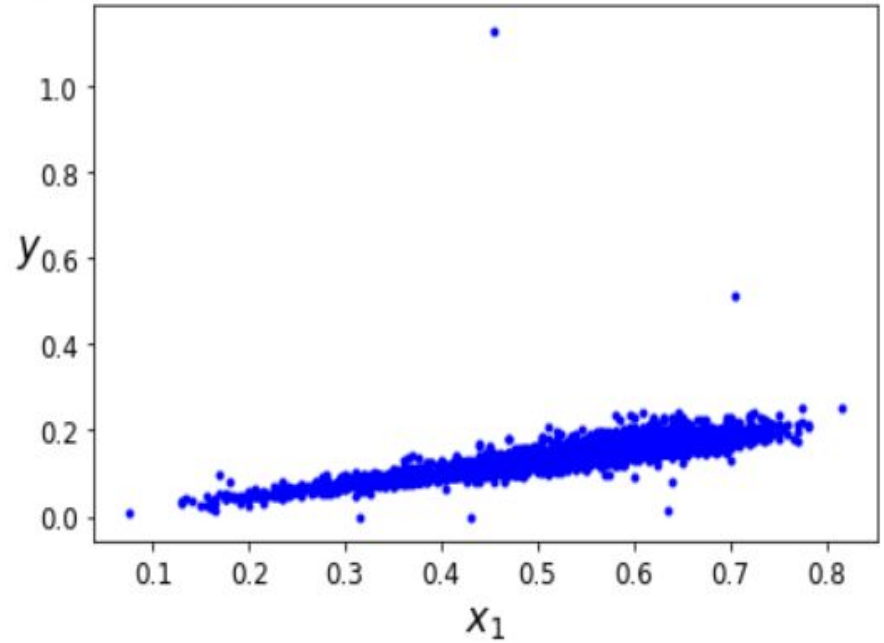
```
[0.13 ],[0.105],[0.12 ]]))
```

## Plot and Save Data

//Plot and save the data

```
plt.plot(X, y, "b.")  
plt.xlabel("$x_1$", fontsize=18)  
plt.ylabel("$y$", rotation=0,  
          fontsize=18)  
save_fig("generated_data_plot")  
plt.show()
```

Saving figure generated\_data\_plot



## Compute $\hat{\theta}$

- let's compute  $\hat{\theta}$  using the Normal Equation. We will use the `inv()` function from NumPy's linear algebra module (`np.linalg`) to compute the inverse of a matrix, and the `dot()` method for matrix multiplication:

```
X_b = np.c_[np.ones((3320, 1)), X] # add x0 = 1 to each instance
theta_best = np.linalg.inv(X_b.T.dot(X_b)).dot(X_b.T).dot(y)
Theta_best
```

```
array([[ -0.0108267 ],
       [ 0.28716253]])
```

## Predictions using $\hat{\theta}$

Now we can make predictions using  $\hat{\theta}$ :

```
X_new = np.array([[0], [2]])
```

```
X_new_b = np.c_[np.ones((2, 1)), X_new] # add x0 = 1 to each  
instance
```

```
y_predict = X_new_b.dot(theta_best)
```

```
Y_predict
```

Output -

```
array([[ -0.0108267 ], [ 0.56349837]])
```



## Plot model's predictions

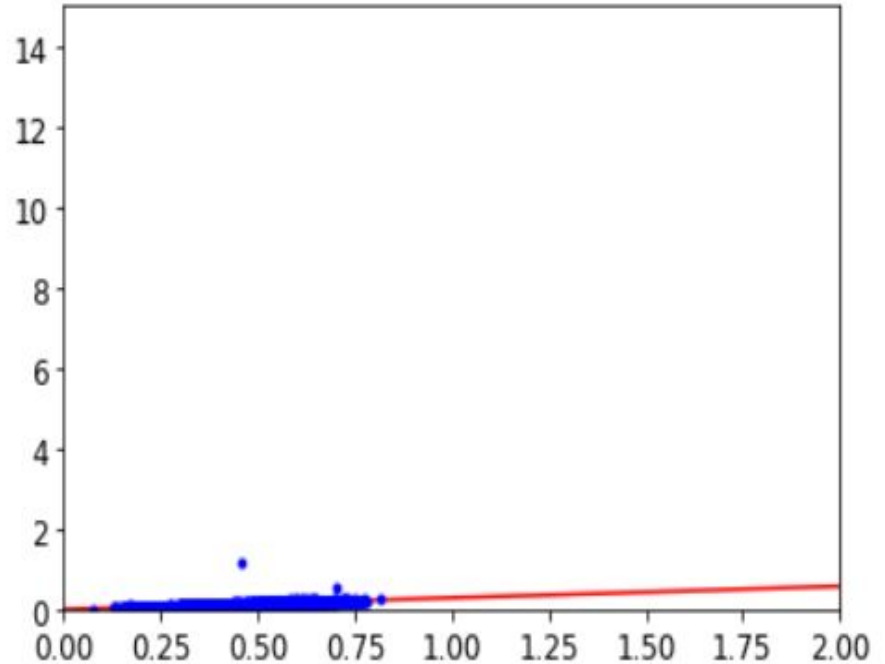
Let's plot this model's  
predictions -

```
plt.plot(X_new, y_predict, "r-")
```

```
plt.plot(X, y, "b.")
```

```
plt.axis([0, 2, 0, 15])
```

```
plt.show()
```



## Plot with Data legend and axis labels

The figure actually corresponds to the following code, with a legend and axis labels:

```
plt.plot(X_new, y_predict, "r-", linewidth=2, label="Predictions")
```

```
plt.plot(X, y, "b.")
```

```
plt.xlabel("$x_1$", fontsize=18)
```

```
plt.ylabel("$y$", rotation=0, fontsize=18)
```

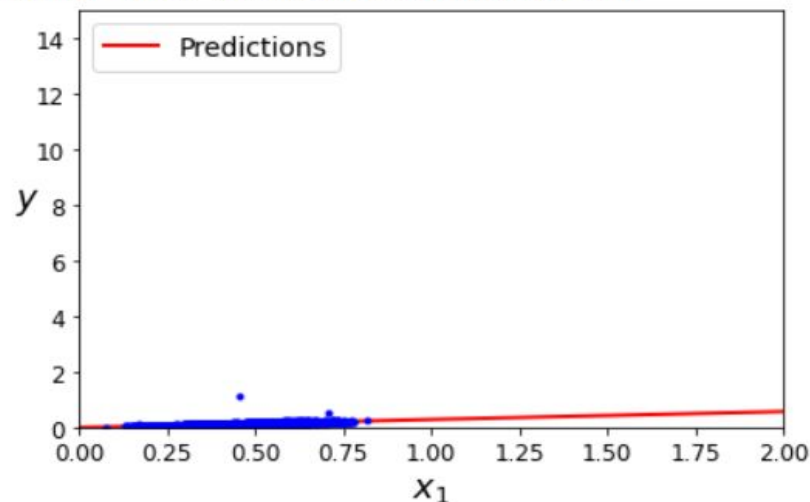
```
plt.legend(loc="upper left", fontsize=14)
```

```
plt.axis([0, 2, 0, 15])
```

```
save_fig("linear_model_predictions_pl
```

```
plt.show()
```

Saving figure linear\_model\_predictions\_plot



# Linear Regression using Scikit-Learn

Performing Linear Regression using Scikit-Learn is simple:

```
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
lin_reg = LinearRegression()
lin_reg.fit(X, y)
lin_reg.intercept_, lin_reg.coef_
(array([-0.0108267]), array([[0.28716253]]))
lin_reg.predict(X_new)
array([[ -0.0108267 ], [ 0.56349837]])
```

# Linear Regression using function and pseudoinverse

The LinearRegression class is based on the `scipy.linalg.lstsq()` function (the name stands for “least squares”), which you could call directly:

- `theta_best_svd, residuals, rank, s = np.linalg.lstsq(X_b, y, rcond=1e-6)`
- `Theta_best_svd`

`array([[ -0.0108267 ],[ 0.28716253]])`

This function computes  $X^+y$ , where  $X^+$  is the pseudoinverse of  $X$  (specifically the Moore-Penrose inverse). You can use `np.linalg.pinv()` to compute the pseudoinverse directly:

- `np.linalg.pinv(X_b).dot(y)`

`array([[ -0.0108267 ],[ 0.28716253]])`

# References

- [https://npu85.npu.edu/~henry/npu/classes/machine\\_learning/book/hands\\_on\\_m\\_l\\_with\\_schikit\\_2nd\\_edition/4.%20Training%20Models.html](https://npu85.npu.edu/~henry/npu/classes/machine_learning/book/hands_on_m_l_with_schikit_2nd_edition/4.%20Training%20Models.html)
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